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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO: PCT/EP2005/002809**FILED:** March 16, 2005**U.S. APPLICATION NO:** 10/592973**35 USC §371 DATE:** November 07, 2006**FOR: USE OF RENIN INHIBITORS IN THERAPY**

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

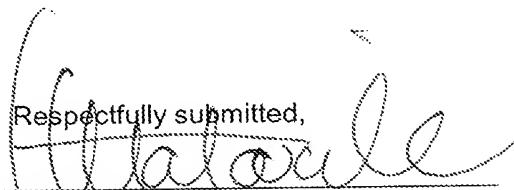
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